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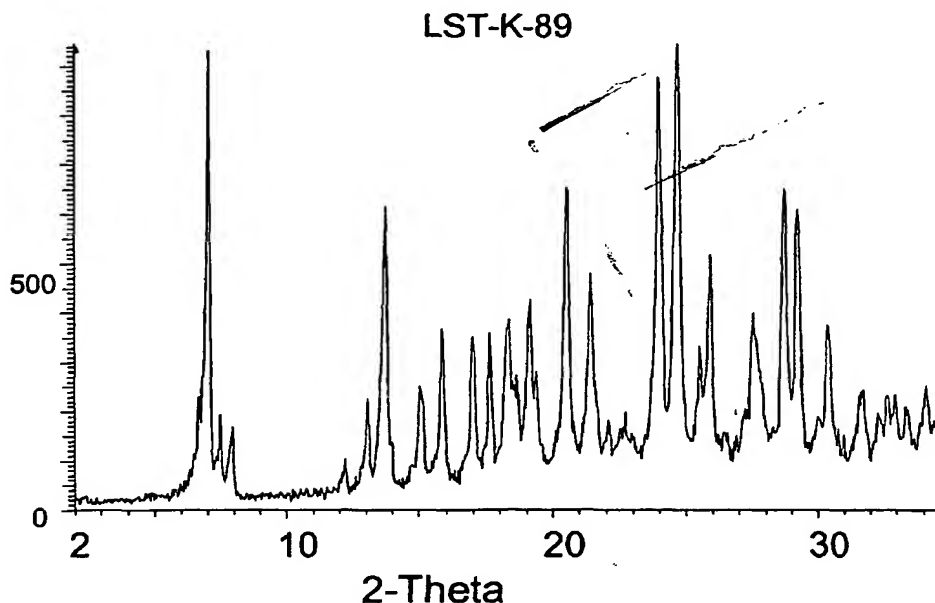
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1. claims: 1,8(part)

Earth-alkali salts of losartan  
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2. claims: 2,8(part),9

Sodium salts of losartan  
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3. claims: 7,17-21,24,25(part)

Amorphous alkali or earth-alkali salts of losartan  
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4. claims: 10,11

Process for purification of losartan comprising the use of  
any salt of losartan  
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5. claims: 3,6(part),12-14,22,23(part),25(part),26-27,28(part)

Crystalline losartan K-salt hydrate  
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6. claims: 4,6(part),15-16(part),22,25(part),26-28(part)

Crystalline K-salt form X  
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7. claims: 5,6(part),15-16(part),22-23(part),25(part),26-28(part)

Crystalline K-salt form Y  
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8. claim: 28

Pharmaceutical composition comprising any losartan K-salt  
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